

SGCN and Habitat Stressors

Level 1 Threat Climate Change and Severe Weather

Level 2 Threat: Temperature Extremes

Description: Periods in which temperatures exceed or go below the normal range of variation

Species Associated With This Stressor:			Total SGCN:	1:	20	2:	45	3:
Class	Actinopterygii (Ray-finned Fishes)						SGCN Category	
Species: <i>Alosa pseudoharengus</i> (Alewife)			2					
Severity: Moderate Severity			Actionability: Actionable with difficulty					
Notes: Range shifts with changing sea surface temperatures may already be occurring.								
Species: <i>Alosa sapidissima</i> (American Shad)			1					
Severity: Moderate Severity			Actionability: Actionable with difficulty					
Notes: Range shifts with changing sea surface temperatures may already be occurring.								
Species: <i>Salvelinus alpinus oquassa</i> (Arctic Charr)			1					
Severity: Moderate Severity			Actionability: Actionable with difficulty					
Notes: Potential climate change effect - charr are susceptible to increasing temps and stressed at high temps over extended periods.								
Species: <i>Thunnus thynnus</i> (Atlantic Bluefin Tuna)			2					
Severity: Severe			Actionability: Actionable with difficulty					
Notes: Changes in SST, prey composition and locations may have significant impacts on forage base, location of forage areas, and timing and location of spawning.								
Species: <i>Gadus morhua</i> (Atlantic Cod)			1					
Severity: Severe			Actionability: Actionable with difficulty					
Notes: While reduced fishing pressure may allow cod stocks to rebuild slightly, changed in habitat associated with climate change and other environmental variables may limit the ability of the population to reach its potential.								
Species: <i>Salmo salar</i> (Atlantic Salmon)			1					
Severity: Severe			Actionability: Actionable with difficulty					
Notes: Temperature increases in the freshwater environment could be detrimental to Atlantic salmon populations. Spatial extent would be entire state of Maine.								
Species: <i>Acipenser oxyrinchus</i> (Atlantic Sturgeon)			1					
Severity: Moderate Severity			Actionability: Actionable with difficulty					
Notes: Range shifts with changing sea surface temperatures may already be occurring.								
Species: <i>Anarhichas lupus</i> (Atlantic Wolffish)			2					
Severity: Severe			Actionability: Actionable with difficulty					
Notes: As a coldwater species, changes in habitat associated with climate change and other environmental variables may limit the ability of the population to reach its potential, and may cause shifts in range or range truncation.								
Species: <i>Alosa aestivalis</i> (Blueback Herring)			1					
Severity: Moderate Severity			Actionability: Actionable with difficulty					
Notes: Range shifts with changing sea surface temperatures may already be occurring.								
Species: <i>Brosme brosme</i> (Cusk)			2					
Severity: Severe			Actionability: Actionable with difficulty					
Notes: As a coldwater species, changes in habitat associated with climate change and other environmental variables may limit the ability of the population to reach its potential, and may cause shifts in range or range truncation.								

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Species: <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i> (Haddock)		1
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: As a coldwater species, changes in habitat associated with climate change and other environmental variables may limit the ability of the population to reach its potential, and may cause shifts in range or range truncation. Additionally, While reduced fishing pressure may allow cod stocks to rebuild slightly, changed in habitat associated with climate change and other environmental variables may limit the ability of the population to reach its potential.		
Species: <i>Osmerus mordax</i> (Rainbow Smelt)		1
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Cold-water species - smelt has shown range truncation - range moveing northward. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Acipenser brevirostrum</i> (Shortnose Sturgeon)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Range shifts with changing sea surface temperatures may already be occuring.		
Species: <i>Morone saxatilis</i> (Striped Bass)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Range shifts with changing sea surface temperatures may already be occuring.		
Species: <i>Pseudopleuronectes americanus</i> (Winter Flounder)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: While reduced fishing pressure may allow Gulf of Maine stocks to rebuild slightly, changed in habitat associated with climate change and other environmental variables may limit the ability of the population to reach its potential.		
Class	<i>Anthozoa</i> (Corals, Sea Pens, Sea Fans, Sea Anemones)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Gersemia rubiformis</i> (Sea Strawberry)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Sea strawberries are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures may have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing suvivorship of larvae and growth rate shown for other corals. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	<i>Asteroidea</i> (Sea Stars)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Asterias rubens</i> (Common Sea Star)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing suvivorship and growth rate of of larvae and adults of sea stars. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. Increased water temperatures are linked with lethal disease. Likelihood is unpredictable based on disease agent and thus can range from small to large-scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Crossaster papposus</i> (Common Sun Star)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing growth rate of sea stars. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. Increased water temperatures are linked with lethal disease. Likelihood is unpredictable based on disease agent and thus can range from small to large-scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		

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Species: <i>Asterias forbesi</i> (Forbes's Starfish)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship and growth rate of larvae and adult sea stars. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. Increased water temperatures are linked with lethal disease. Likelihood is unpredictable based on disease agent and thus can range from small to large-scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Solaster endeca</i> (Purple Sunstar)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Purple sunstars are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate of sea stars. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. Increased water temperatures are linked with lethal disease. Likelihood is unpredictable based on disease agent and thus can range from small to large-scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Stephanasterias albula</i> (White Sea Star)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: White sea stars are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate of sea stars. Likelihood is high (high certainty). Increased water temperatures are linked with lethal disease. Likelihood is unpredictable based on disease agent and thus can range from small to large-scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	<i>Aves</i> (Birds)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Histrionicus histrionicus</i> (Harlequin Duck)		1
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Loss of invertebrate prey base due to increase in ocean temperatures.		
Species: <i>Sternula antillarum</i> (Least Tern)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Impacts to food resources may occur due to increase in ocean temperatures.		
Species: <i>Tringa flavipes</i> (Lesser Yellowlegs)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Potential loss of intertidal invertebrate prey base from increasing ocean temperatures.		
Species: <i>Charadrius melodus</i> (Piping Plover)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Oceanic temperature changes may impact intertidal invertebrate populations, an important food source for plovers.		
Species: <i>Calidris maritima</i> (Purple Sandpiper)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Impacts to intertidal invertebrate prey base may occur due to increasing ocean temperatures.		
Species: <i>Calidris canutus rufa</i> (Red Knot)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Changes in ocean temps could impact intertidal invertebrate prey base.		
Species: <i>Phalaropus lobatus</i> (Red-necked Phalarope)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Impacts to copepod prey base may occur from increasing ocean temperatures.		

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Class	Aves (Birds)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Arenaria interpres</i> (Ruddy Turnstone)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Impacts to invertebrate prey base from increasing ocean temps may occur.		
Species: <i>Calidris alba</i> (Sanderling)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Rising ocean temperatures may impact invertebrate prey base.		
Species: <i>Calidris pusilla</i> (Semipalmated Sandpiper)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Increasing ocean temperatures may impact invertebrate prey base.		
Species: <i>Numenius phaeopus</i> (Whimbrel)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Increasing ocean temperatures may impact invertebrate prey base.		
Class	Bivalvia (Marine And Freshwater Molluscs)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Zirfaea crispata</i> (Atlantic Great Piddock)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Atlantic Great Piddocks are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures may have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate shown for other molluscs. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	Chondrichthyes (Sharks, Rays, And Skates)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Dipturus laevis</i> (Barndoor Skate)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Shift in ocean temperatures will influence how a species moves and travels as well as their food sources; warmer surface waters also affect the distribution of essential nutrients		
Species: <i>Lamna nasus</i> (Porbeagle)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Shift in ocean temperatures will influence how a species moves and travels as well as their food sources; warmer surface waters also affect the distribution of essential nutrients		
Species: <i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i> (Shortfin Mako)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Shift in ocean temperatures will influence how a species moves and travels as well as their food sources; warmer surface waters also affect the distribution of essential nutrients		
Species: <i>Malacoraja senta</i> (Smooth Skate)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Shift in ocean temperatures will influence how a species moves and travels as well as their food sources; warmer surface waters also affect the distribution of essential nutrients		
Species: <i>Amblyraja radiata</i> (Thorny Skate)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Shift in ocean temperatures will influence how a species moves and travels as well as their food sources; warmer surface waters also affect the distribution of essential nutrients		

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Class	<i>Chondrichthyes</i> (Sharks, Rays, And Skates)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Leucoraja ocellata</i> (Winter Skate)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Shift in ocean temperatures will influence how a species moves and travels as well as their food sources; warmer surface waters also affect the distribution of essential nutrients		
Class	<i>Echinoidea</i> (Sea Urchins)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Strongylocentrotus droebachiensis</i> (Green Sea Urchin)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate of echinoderms. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	<i>Gastropoda</i> (Aquatic And Terrestrial Snails)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Arrhoges occidentalis</i> (American Pelican Foot)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: American Pelican Foot is a cold-water species. Increased water temperatures may have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate shown for other molluscs. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Boreotrophon clathratus</i> (Clathrate Trophon)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Clathrate trophons are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures may have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate shown for other molluscs. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Colus pygmaeus</i> (Colus Snail)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Colus snails are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures may have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate shown for other molluscs. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Boreotrophon truncatus</i> (Murex)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Murex are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures may have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate shown for other molluscs. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Ptychotractus ligatus</i> (Spindle Shell)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Spindle shells are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures may have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate shown for other molluscs. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	<i>Holothuroidea</i> (Sea Cucumbers)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Cucumaria frondosa</i> (Orange-footed Sea Cucumber)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Orange-footed sea cucumbers are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate of echinoderms. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		

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Species: <i>Psolus fabricii</i> (Psolus)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Scarlet psolus is a cold-water species. Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship and growth rate of larvae and adults of echinoderms. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Psolus phantapus</i> (Psolus)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Psolus is a cold-water species. Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship and growth rate of larvae and adults of echinoderms. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Thyonidium drummondii</i> (Sea Cucumber)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Sea cucumbers are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship and growth rate of larvae and adults of echinoderms. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	<i>Malacostraca</i> (Crustaceans)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Pandalus borealis</i> (Northern Shrimp)		1
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Northern shrimp are an arctic/sub-arctic species in the southernmost extent of their range in the Gulf of Maine, and have been highly sensitive to warming conditions. The likelihood of this impact is likely and may be occurring (high); certainty is high; and the spatial extent is pervasive (state-wide (coastal)).		
Species: <i>Lebbeus polaris</i> (Polar Lebbeid Shrimp)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Polar lebbeid shrimp are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate of crustaceans. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Lebbeus groenlandicus</i> (Spiny Lebbeid Shrimp)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Spiny lebbeid shrimp are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate of crustaceans. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	<i>Mammalia</i> (Mammals)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Balaenoptera musculus</i> (Blue Whale)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: This would likely affect these species through their access to prey items and potentially breeding grounds. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Balaenoptera physalus</i> (Finback Whale)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: This would likely affect these species through their access to prey items and potentially breeding grounds. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i> (Humpback Whale)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: This would likely affect these species through their access to prey items and potentially breeding grounds. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		

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Class	<i>Mammalia</i> (Mammals)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Eubalaena glacialis</i> (North Atlantic Right Whale)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: This would likely affect these species through their access to prey items and potentially breeding grounds. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Balaenoptera borealis</i> (Sei Whale)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: This would likely affect these species through their access to prey items and potentially breeding grounds. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Physeter macrocephalus</i> (Sperm Whale)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: This would likely affect these species through their access to prey items and potentially breeding grounds. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	<i>Merostomata</i> (Horseshoe Crabs And Sea Scorpions)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Limulus polyphemus</i> (Horseshoe Crab)		1
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Increased water temperatures may have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate shown for other Arthropods (crustaceans). Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	<i>Ophiuroidea</i> (Brittle Stars)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Gorgonocephalus arcticus</i> (Northern Basket Starfish)		2
Severity: Severe	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: Northern Basket Stars are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate of sea stars. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale (through the region where this species occurs). The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	<i>Reptilia</i> (Reptiles)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Chelonia mydas</i> (Green Seaturtle)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: This would likely affect these species through their access to prey items and potentially breeding grounds (nesting beaches). In New England we are likely to see an increase in cold stunned turtles as the sea temperature rises and turtles make their way further north in colder water than they've previously inhabited. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Lepidochelys kempii</i> (Kemp's Ridley Seaturtle)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity	Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes: This would likely affect these species through their access to prey items and potentially breeding grounds (nesting beaches). In New England we are likely to see an increase in cold stunned turtles as the sea temperature rises and turtles make their way further north in colder water than they've previously inhabited. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		

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Class	<i>Reptilia</i> (Reptiles)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Dermochelys coriacea</i> (Leatherback Seaturtle)		1
Severity: Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes: This would likely affect these species through their access to prey items and potentially breeding grounds (nesting beaches). In New England we are likely to see an increase in cold stunned turtles as the sea temperature rises and turtles make their way further north in colder water than they've previously inhabited. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Species: <i>Caretta caretta</i> (Loggerhead Seaturtle)		2
Severity: Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes: This would likely affect these species through their access to prey items and potentially breeding grounds (nesting beaches). In New England we are likely to see an increase in cold stunned turtles as the sea temperature rises and turtles make their way further north in colder water than they've previously inhabited. Ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		
Class	<i>Rhynchonellata</i> (Brachiopods)	SGCN Category
Species: <i>Terebratulina septentrionalis</i> (Lamp Shell)		2
Severity: Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes: Lamp shells are cold-water species. Increased water temperatures may have interactive effects with ocean pH decreasing survivorship of larvae and growth rate shown for other marine invertebrates. Likelihood is high (high certainty) and large scale. The ability to mitigate sea temperature change is low.		

Habitats Associated With This Stressor:

Macrogroup	Intertidal Water Column
Habitat System Name: Confined Channel	
Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure, lead to physiological changes in biological forms, exacerbate disease, etc.	
Habitat System Name: Embayment	
Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure, lead to physiological changes in biological forms, exacerbate disease, etc.	
Habitat System Name: Exposed Shore	
Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure, lead to physiological changes in biological forms, exacerbate disease, etc.	
Macrogroup	Lakes and Ponds
Habitat System Name: Vernal Pool	
Notes: Can be moderated by maintaining shade on streams	
Macrogroup	Rivers and Streams
Habitat System Name: Headwaters and Creeks	
Notes: Can be moderated by maintaining shade on streams	
Habitat System Name: Small River	
Notes: Can be moderated by maintaining shade on streams	
Macrogroup	Subtidal Bedrock Bottom
Habitat System Name: Bedrock	
Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.	

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Macrogroup Subtidal Bedrock Bottom

Habitat System Name: Erect Epifauna

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Habitat System Name: Kelp Bed

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Macrogroup Subtidal Coarse Gravel Bottom

Habitat System Name: Coarse Gravel

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Habitat System Name: Erect Epifauna

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Habitat System Name: Kelp Bed

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Macrogroup Subtidal Mollusc Reefs

Habitat System Name: Gastropod Reef

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Habitat System Name: Mussel Reef

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Habitat System Name: Oyster Reef

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Macrogroup Subtidal Mud Bottom

Habitat System Name: Submerged Aquatic Vegetation

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Habitat System Name: Unvegetated

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Macrogroup Subtidal Pelagic (Water Column)

Habitat System Name: Confined Channel

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Habitat System Name: Nearshore

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Habitat System Name: Offshore

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Habitat System Name: Upwelling Zones

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Macrogroup Subtidal Sand Bottom

Habitat System Name: Submerged Aquatic Vegetation

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

Habitat System Name: Unvegetated

Notes: Sea surface temperature increases may change the community structure; exacerbate disease, etc.

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The Wildlife Action Plan was developed through a lengthy participatory process with state agencies, targeted conservation partners, and the general public. The Plan is non-regulatory. The species, stressors, and voluntary conservation actions identified in the Plan complement, but do not replace, existing work programs and priorities by state agencies and partners.